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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (AMMAN ADDED AS INFO ADDEE)

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, MILI, PBOR, IS, LE, SY
SUBJ: SOUTH LEBANON

REF: BEIRUT 4204

1. IF BOUTROS' REPORT ACCURATELY REPRESENTS EMERGING LEBANESE-SYRIAN-
PLO CONSENSUS ON SOUTH LEBANON, IT IS MOST ENCOURAGING AND
BELIES MUCH OF RECENT PESSIMISM REPORTED RE PALESTINIAN
INTENTIONS.

2. I EXPECT ISRAELIS WILL BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN
HAVING CONFIRMATION ABOUT THE PROVISION DIRECTLY INVOLVING
DAMASCUS, I.E. ITS WILLINGNESS TO TAKE IN ALL PALESTINIAN
GUERRILLAS WHO ENTERED LEBANON SINCE 1969 AS WELL AS IMPLICATION
THAT SYRIA IS READY TO USE ITS MUSCLE TO ENFORCE THE RETURN
OF THE OTHERS TO CAMPS, WITH NOTED EXCEPTIONS.

. BOUTROS ACKNOWLEDGES THAT ANOTHER FIVE TO SIX DAYS WILL
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BE NEEDED TO SECURE AGREEMENT ON THESE AND OTHER SPECIFICS.
KHADDAM ME YESTERDAY WITH ARAFAT ACCORDING DAMASCUS RADIO.
THIS FOLLOWED PCC MEETING AND I ASSUME THEIR CONVERSATION
DELT NOT ONLY WITH THAT "NON-EVENT" (REPORTED SEPTTEL) BUT ALSO
WITH LATES GOL-SARG/SHTAURA ALKS.

4. KHADDAM HAS NOT CALLED ME IN ABOUT SOUTH LEBANON, NOR

DO I EXPECT HIM TO DO SO GIVEN HIS TRACK RECORD ON ISSUE
OF SOUTH LEBANON. I TEND BELIEVE HE ASSUMES, HOWEVER,
TOAT BOUROS WOULD REVIEW LAEST DEVELOPMENTS WIH AMBASSADOR
PARKER.(COMMENT: WOULD APPRECIAE EMBASSY BEIRUT'S VIEWS
ON THIS.) I RECOMMEND THAT FOR PRESENT THIS EMBASSY NOT
INFEC ITSELF INTO DISCUSSION WITH SARG ABOUT PROGRESS
REACHED TO DATE AS SUMMED UP TIN BEIRUT REFTEL. TO DO DO
COULD PORTRAY USG AS MORE READY O SUPPORT PURPORTED OVERALL
AGREEMENT THAN MIGHT BE DESIRABLE PENDING A LEAST INITIAL
DISCUSSIONS WISH THE ISRAELIS.

5. IF, HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT AND BEIRUT CONSIDER I DESIRABLE
FOR ME TO PROBE SUBJECT OF SYRIAN COMMITMENTS WITH KHADDAM
THIS TIME, REQUEST I BE INSTRUCTED NIACT. IM SCHEDULED
PROCEED LATTAKIA AND THEN ALEPPO FOR OFFICIAL FUNCIONS
DEPARTING DAMASCUS NOON AUGUST 28, RETURNING SEPTEMBER 1.
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